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MEMORANDUM FOR:

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SUBJECT:

Congressional Acceptance of the Director's Intelligence

Sources and Methods Legislation

1. I have reviewed the paper headed "Issues and Answers Series: Problem No. XIII" concerning the above subject. I think this is excellent as a short paper encompassing this issue. I believe the point made in paragraph C. that such legislation should not be a vehicle by which the Agency could withhold information on illegal or improper activities is an excellent one. While we are far along in reaching final agreement with the Department of Justice on the specific wording, I believe it is not too late to cover this point by an additional provision and OGC will take action to include it. I am not sure of the precise wording, but we will work this out with Justice.

2. In that same paragraph there is some suggestion raised that the affected classes of people should be narrowed specifically to exclude contractors and their employees. I think we should stand firm on keeping them in the bill. They are in a fiduciary relationship with respect to the classified information they have received and I see no justification for eliminating them.

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